

Def Let A be a set
in the metric space (X, d) .
The closure of A is

$$\text{cl}(A) = \bar{A}$$

$$= \left\{ x^* \in X : \text{there is a sequence } x_n \in A \text{ with } x_n \rightarrow x^* \right\}.$$

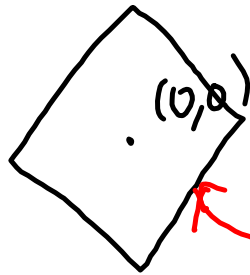
e.g. $(0, 1)$ is not closed in (\mathbb{R}, d_2) .
 $\text{cl}((0, 1)) = [0, 1]$.

Open Sets (A.2.5)

Def Let (X, d) be a metric space. Then open ball centred at $x \in X$ with radius $r > 0$ is $N_r(x) = \{y \in X : d(x, y) < r\}$

↖ neighbourhood

e.g. in (\mathbb{R}^2, d_1) , $N_1((0,0))$



↖ $N_1((0,0))$,
boundary
excluded

Def Suppose A is a subset of a metric space (X, d) .

We say $x \in A$ is an interior point if there is an open ball $N_r(x)$ such that

$N_r(x) \subseteq A$. The set of all interior points of A is called the interior of A , written

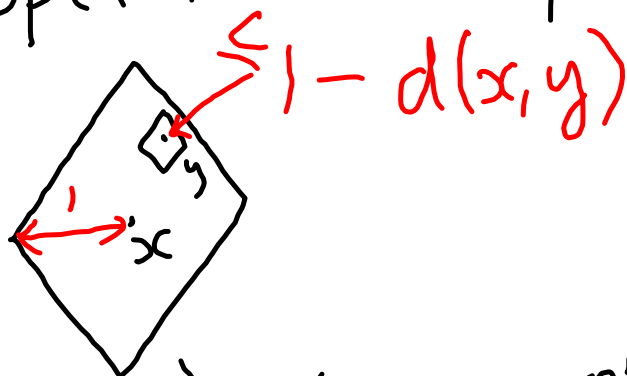
$\text{int}(A)$. We say A is an open set if $A = \text{int}(A)$. If A is

an open set and $x \in A$, then we say A is an open

neighbourhood of x .

examples:

* open balls are open sets



* $(0, 1)$ is an open set (\mathbb{R}, d_2)

* If (X, d) is a metric space, then \emptyset and X are open sets.

* $[0, 1]$ is an open set in $([0, 1], d_2)$, but not in

(\mathbb{R}, d_2) .

Theorem Let A be a subset of a metric space (X, d) .

A is open $\Leftrightarrow A \cap \partial A = \emptyset$.

Proof

iff \nearrow

\nearrow A contains none of its boundary

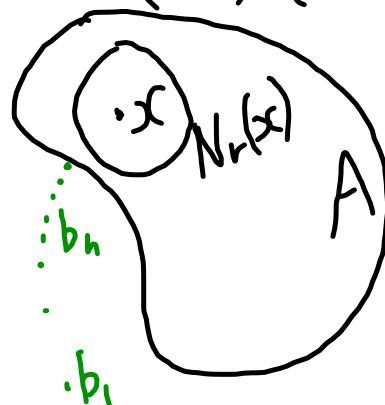
\Rightarrow : Suppose A is open.

Consider any point $x \in A$. Since

A is open, there is some ball

$N_r(x) \subseteq A$. There

is no sequence $b_n \rightarrow x$ with $b_n \notin A$.



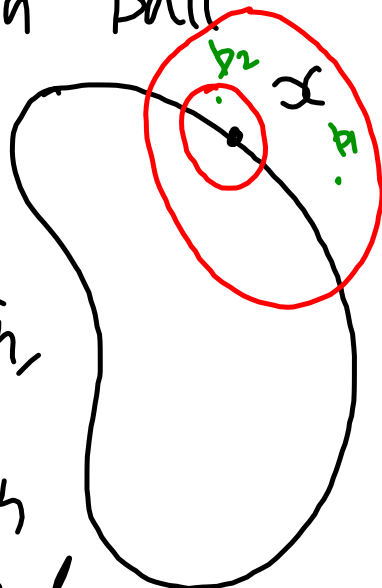
Therefore, $x \notin \partial A$.

⇐: Suppose A is not open.

This means there is some $x \in A$ such that every open ball

$N_r(x) \not\subseteq A$. Let

$r_n = \frac{1}{n}$. For each r_n , there is some point b_n s.t. $d(b_n, x) < r_n$ and $b_n \notin A$. Notice that $b_n \rightarrow x$.



We conclude $x \in \partial A$.

Therefore $x \in A \cap \partial A$.

So $A \cap \partial A \neq \emptyset$. \square

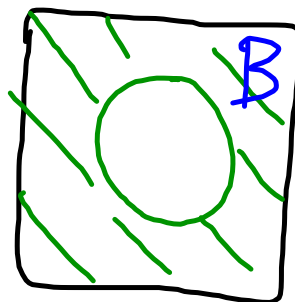
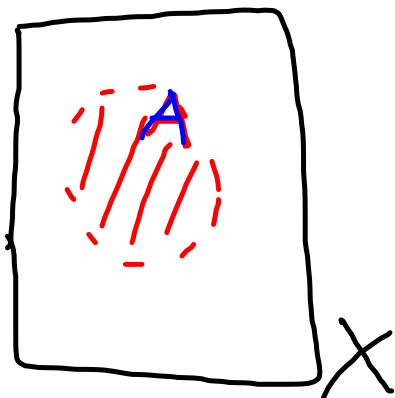
examples of open and closed sets:

* \emptyset and X are both open and closed in (X, d) .

* $[0, 1]$ is open & closed in $([0, 1] \cup [2, 3], d_2)$.

Theorem Let A be a subset of a metric space (X, d) .

A is open $\Leftrightarrow X \setminus A$ is closed.



Proof

Trick: $\partial A = \partial(X \setminus A)$.

↑ look at the
def of ∂A .

\Rightarrow : If A is open, it
contains none of ∂A .

So $X \setminus A$ contains all of ∂A .

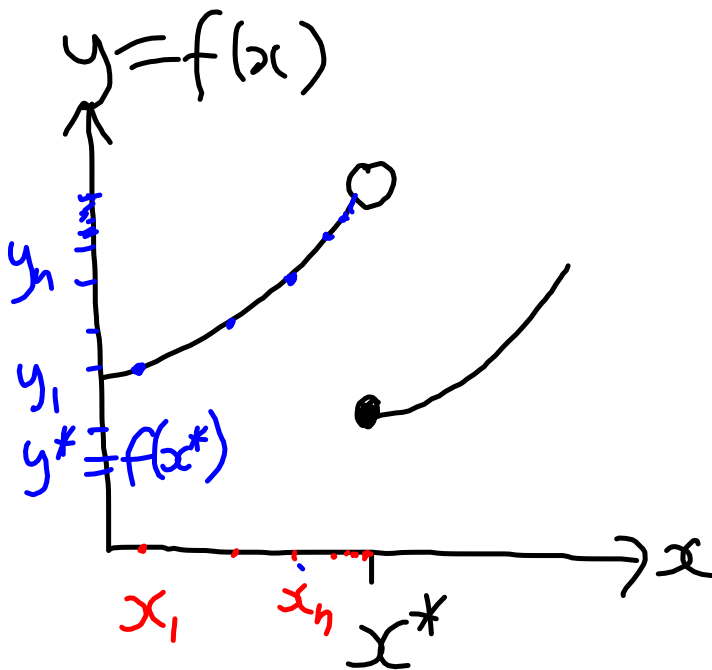
\Rightarrow $X \setminus A$ contains all of

\Leftarrow : similar. \square $\partial(X \setminus A)$.

Continuity (A.2.6)

Def Consider two metric spaces (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) .

We say $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous at $x^* \in X$ if for every sequence $x_n \rightarrow x^*$, the sequence $y_n = f(x_n) \rightarrow y^* = f(x^*)$.



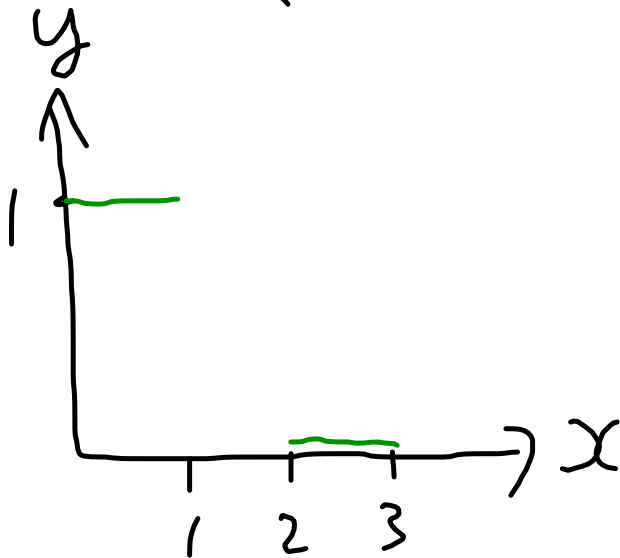
f is discontinuous because

$$y_n \not\rightarrow y^*$$

$$f(x_n) \not\rightarrow f(x^*).$$

even though $x_n \rightarrow x^*$.

$$* f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in [0,1] \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in [2,3] \end{cases}$$



* If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and (X, d_X) involves the discrete metric, then f is continuous.

Notation: if $f: X \rightarrow Y$

$$f(A) = \{f(a) : a \in A\}$$

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in X : f(x) \in B\}.$$

Theorem Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function, where (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) are metric spaces.

(i) f is continuous

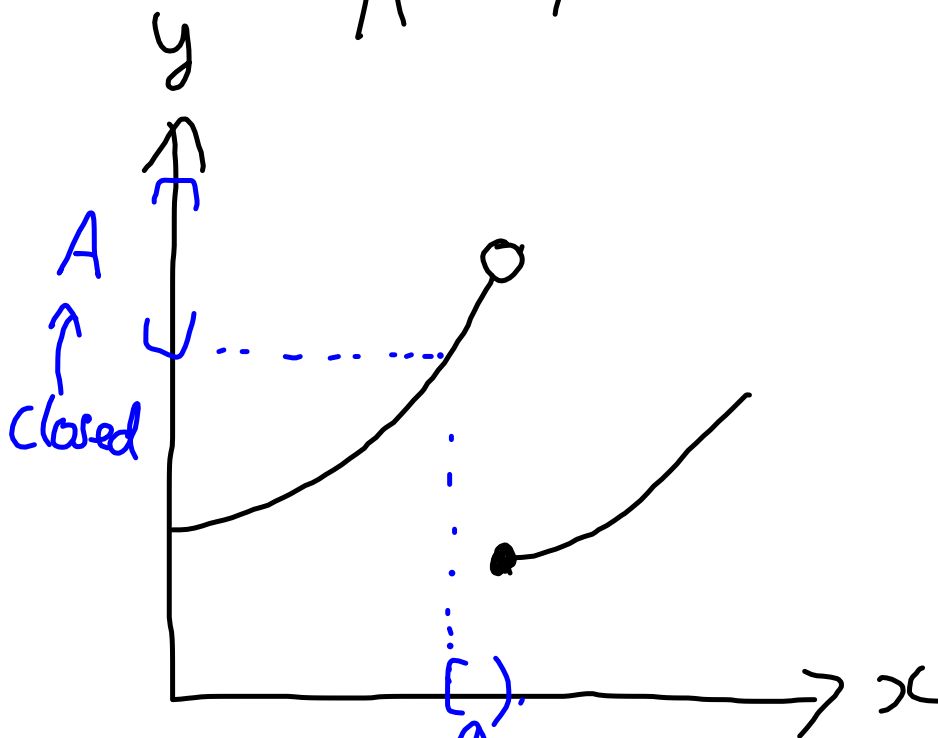
$\Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(A)$ is an open set for all open sets $A \subseteq Y$.

(ii) f is continuous

$\Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(A)$ is closed set

for all closed sets

$A \subseteq Y$.



$B = f^{-1}(A) \leftarrow$ not closed.

Proof

(i) and (ii) are equivalent because A is open $\Leftrightarrow X \setminus A$ is closed.

Specifically, if B is open, then $A = X \setminus B$ is closed.

So if $f^{-1}(A)$ is closed, then $f^{-1}(B) = X \setminus f^{-1}(A)$ is open.

\Rightarrow using closed sets:

Suppose f is continuous.

Pick any closed set A in (Y, d_Y) .

Want to prove: $B = f^{-1}(A)$ is closed.

Let $x_n \in B$ be any convergent sequence, and let $x^* = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$.

Want to prove $x^* \in B$.

By continuity, the sequence

$$y_n = f(x_n) \rightarrow y^* = f(x^*).$$

Since $y_n \in A$ and A is closed, $y^* \in A$. Therefore $f(x^*) \in A$

and hence $x^* \in B$.

\Leftarrow open sets:

Suppose if $A \subseteq Y$ is open, ^{then} $f^{-1}(A)$ is open

~~to show $f^{-1}(A) \subseteq X$ is~~

~~\exists~~ Let $x_n \rightarrow x^*$ ↑ pre-image of A.

be a sequence in (X, d) .


Let $y_n = f(x_n)$, and $y^* = f(x^*)$.

Want to prove $y_n \rightarrow y^*$.

Pick any $\epsilon > 0$.

Since $A = N_\epsilon(y^*)$ is an open set. So $f^{-1}(A)$ is an

open set, and $f^{-1}(A)$ contains x^* . Since $x_n \rightarrow x^*$, there is some N such that for all $n > N$, we have $x_n \in f^{-1}(A)$.

 will fix the rest of the proof in the notes.

Completeness A.2.7

$$((0, 1], d_2) = (X, d)$$

$x_n = \frac{1}{n}$ wants to converge,
to 0, but $0 \notin X$.